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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: FACILITIES AGREEMENT: SEABEDS

1. DEPARTMENT CONCURS ON TEXT OF LETTER TO GCOB PROPOSED
REFTEL WITH FOLLOWING CHANGE: BEGIN: "THE US GOVERNMENT
DESIRES EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE SEABED ADJACENT TO NAVFAC,
ELEUTHERA ISLAND, AND AUTEC, ANDROS ISLAND, BOUNDED BY
THE FOLLOWING GEOGRAPHICAL POINTS: (LIST POINTS)...
ACCORDINGLY THE US GOVERNMENT DESIRES THAT THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS PRECLUDE PERSONS OR
ACTIVITIES UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION FROM USING THIS SEABED.
WE ALSO USE ON A NON-EXCLUSIVE BASIS THE SUPER-
JACENT WATER ADJACENT TO AUTEC, ANDROS ISLAND, BOUNDED
BY THE SAME GEOGRAPHICAL POINTS LISTED FOR AUTEC ABOVE."

2. IN PARA 3 OF REFTEL, EMBASSY USED PHRASE "RENTAL CON-
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CEPT FOR LAND OR SEABEDS." EMBASSY SHOULD NOTE THAT FINAL

RENTAL CONTRACT WILL NOT MENTION SEABED, AS USG DOES NOT
RENT SEABED. APPROPRIATE REFERENCE TO SEABEDS AND ADJA-
CENT WATERS APPEARS IN SECOND ARTICLE OF US DRAFT OF
FACILITIES PROVISIONS AGREEMENT. EMBASSY LETTER ON SEA-
BEDS WILL SERVE AS OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION TO GCOB OF USG'S
SPECIFIC DEFINITION OF SEABEDS AS REFERRED TO IN AGREEMENT.

3. FYI. CONSISTENT WITH OUR APPROACH THROUGHOUT FACILITY

NEGOTIATIONS, WE BELIEVE IT IS PREFERABLE TO AVOID, WHERE
POSSIBLE, CONFRONTATIONS OVER EXTENT OF BAHAMIAN TERRI-
TORIAL JURISDICTION OVER WATERS AND SEABED. WE BELIEVE
REVISED TEXT ABOVE LESS CONTENTIOUS IN THIS REGARD. END
FYI. KISSINGER

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